

FISCAL NOTE

HB 2463 – SB 3563

January 23, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires after September 1, 2010, each person qualifying for the office of assessor of property shall be a state certified general appraiser. Directs the State Board of Equalization to prescribe educational and training courses relative to the office of assessor of property.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures –

Exceeds \$98,300 FY08-09, FY09-10

Exceeds \$26,000/

Recurring FY10-11 and Thereafter

Increase Local Gov't. Expenditures* –

Exceeds \$677,600

FY08-09, FY09-10, FY10-11

Exceeds \$227,100/

Recurring FY11-12 and Thereafter

Assumptions:

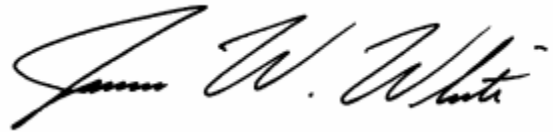
- According to the Comptroller, 39 persons in the Division of Property Assessment must become licensed, at a cost of \$98,300 over two years (39 persons x \$5,041 cost per person = \$196,599/2 = \$98,299).
- According to the Comptroller, there are 95 persons statewide who are Assessors of Property and 300 persons statewide who are deputy assessors. The cost per person to become a State Certified General Appraiser is \$5,146. Local government expenditures would be \$677,600 over a three year period (395 persons x \$5,146 cost per person = \$2,032,670/3 = \$677,556).
- The State Board of Equalization will utilize the licensing program administered by the International Association of Assessing Officers (IAAO).
- The Comptroller will pay for the training of persons in the Division of Property Assessment.
- Local governments will pay for the training of Assessors of Property and their deputies.

- There will be a continuing education cost associated with obtaining these certifications over a two-year period. Coursework will be \$750 per person and the renewal fee will be \$400 per person.
- The Comptroller will pay the continuing education cost for such 39 persons who must become licensed plus 6 persons in the Division of Property Assessments presently meeting the requirements of the bill, at a cost of \$26,000 per year.
- Local governments will pay the continuing education cost for such 395 persons, at a cost of \$227,100 per year.

**Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.*

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "W".

James W. White, Executive Director

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